



Memorandum

To: Provosts and Chief Academic Officers
From: Paula K. Compton Ph.D., Associate Vice Chancellor
Date: March 09, 2022
Subject: Endorsement Survey: Industry Recognized Credential Assurance Guide (ITAG) in Private Pilot

Background Information: The Ohio Department of Higher Education (ODHE) is reaching out to collect responses from all two- and four-year Ohio public institutions of higher education regarding a proposed alignment for the Industry Recognized Credential Assurance Guide (ITAG) in Private Pilot Flight Instruction.

The Industry Recognized Credential Transfer Assurance Guide (ITAG) is a statewide transfer initiative that guarantees the award of college-level credit to students earning agreed-upon industry recognized credentials. The ITAG initiative was instituted by the Chancellor in February 2021. Students meeting credentialing requirements, regardless of where the learning was achieved, will be eligible to earn credit for specified courses deemed equivalent by faculty and endorsed by Ohio's public institutions of higher education. As some CTAGs use credentials to align with college credit, ITAGs expand the concept of the value of credentials. To reduce variability across Ohio in the transfer credit evaluation and application process, a set of college-level learning outcomes will be established for each ITAG. The set of learning outcomes, which will be aligned with applicable third-party program accreditation, credentialing, and/or other industry standards, will be vetted by faculty and industry as needed.

Proposed Private Pilot ITAG: The proposed ITAG would establish a set of statewide learning outcomes for Private Pilot courses at Ohio's public colleges and universities and would align standards taken from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Private Pilot-Airplane practical test to those learning outcomes. If approved, the ITAG would allow students who hold an FAA Private Pilot Certificate to be awarded a minimum of 5 credit hours toward an equivalent course, regardless of where the education/training occurred. Those seeking credit would be required to pass the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Private Pilot-Airplane practical test and obtain a certificate.

What We Need from You: This memo addresses the need for statewide endorsement of the proposed learning outcomes and the alignment of the standards taken from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Private Pilot-Airplane practical test to those learning outcomes. Please forward this memorandum and accompanying attachments to the appropriate faculty. Please have **one person** complete the survey using the link below on or before **March 22, 2022**.



**Department of
Higher Education**

Mike DeWine, Governor
Randy Gardner, Chancellor

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/59ZCTZ8>

A copy of the proposed ITAG learning outcomes and alignment is included with this memo for reference. The attached PDF of the survey is for reference only and responses should be submitted using the survey link.

Brian Strzempkowski, The Ohio State University, serves as our lead faculty expert and worked with a faculty panel to complete this alignment.

Thank you for your assistance with this important matter.

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